

Springerville Town Council
Minutes
May 3, 2006

Present: Kay Dyson Mayor, Mary Nedrow and Phelps Wilkins

Excused: Pete Hunt

Staff: Scott Garms Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Tim Shaffery and Eduardo Coronado with TBS LAW, and Tom Malone

Public: Judy Cooley with Congressman Renzi's office, Judy Hayes, Dana Overson EDAC, Gary Davis, Kevin Burk and Donna Butler.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Dyson.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Wilkins, Invocation by Mayor Dyson.
3. Public participation: Ms. Judy Cooley with Congressman's office announced that she would be here at the senior center on Friday doing Medicare outreach.
4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Scott Garms town manager announced that he attended the NACOG meeting last week. Mr. Garms reported that Sharon Pinckard was successful in getting a section 53-10 ADOT grant for a maxi-van for Springerville-Eagar communities and Dana Overson was appointed to the Economic Development committee for Apache County.

Our public works department completed the cleanup last week hauling off 290 cubic yards of branches, 135 tires and almost 36,000 pounds of trash was taken to the transfer station for a total of 360 man hours.

Mayor Dyson reported she received a call from Debbie Harper at Western Drug with a thank you for removing the branches.

She reported that she attended a meeting for review of the airport master plan draft today. This should come before the council in a few months. The new Chamber Director Audra Sloane will begin on May 15th.

5. Consent Agenda.
 - A. Minutes of April 19, 2006
 - B. Resolution #2006-R008 regarding approval endorsing and supporting a request from the White Mountain Regional Transportation Committee to provide transportation liaison services.

Mary Nedrow/Phelps Wilkins motion to approve consent agenda items 5.A through 5.B.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Phelps Wilkins

6. Resolution #2006-R007: Action and discussion regarding resolution #2006-R007 adopting the "Uniform Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (Revised)" sponsored by the Maricopa Association of Governments for new development.

Mr. Shaffery recommended this resolution be tabled once again. He advised the council that he was hesitant to adopt the MAG (Maricopa Association of Governments) specs as they are written. He explained that these specs were written for Maricopa County whose weather is very different than ours. He said he had met or called various entities that have adopted them in principle but have supplements that take into consideration differences with some of their specifications that do not apply to us. He felt that it would be dangerous to blanket adopt them but said he would like to meet and talk to Tom and go over the specs. They may just want to amend our code stating that the town has the authority to modify them.

Mary Nedrow/Phelps Wilkins motion to table this until the next meeting.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Phelps Wilkins

7. Joint Council Meetings: Action and discussion regarding quarterly joint council meetings with the Town of Eagar.

Mayor Dyson stated that there used to be joint meetings some time ago and they would like to resume those meetings. In speaking with a few of the council people, it was suggested that a couple of perimeters should be set up. The first one being that they should begin after the new councils are seated and that the meetings should be run by a third party moderator. Agenda items would be submitted to the town managers and a maximum of two hour meetings. It was also suggested that there be a memorandum of understanding stating that both councils agree to meet quarterly so that the meetings are not just stopped. There will not be any decisions made during these joint meetings.

Tom Malone thought that it might be a good idea to have regional meetings involving Greer and Nutrioso to try to head off possible problems with growth.

The other council members present agreed that both communities could both benefit and work together.

Phelps Wilkins/Mary Nedrow motion to accept this idea and ask Mr. Garms to work with the Eagar town manager to set and start the process within the next few months.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Phelps Wilkins

8. Economic Development for Apache County Corporation: Presentation, discussion, and action regarding funding and participation in EDAC.

Dana Overson gave the council an outline of a vision and plan of what she would like to accomplish as the new EDAC director and said that she had asked for input from each community. She stated that CDBG will still be a large part of her job until she trains someone. Springerville will begin their public participation again this fall.

Mr. Gary Davis EDAC Board President also spoke briefly of the development of this area. He asked that the town become involved in EDAC both financially and from a leadership standpoint. He said that in order for EDAC to sustain itself and survive they are going to need financial resources from the four entities. He understood the challenge to have to budget \$25,000 but feels that the money would be well spent. He reiterated his request for funding, and asked that the council make a commitment not only this year but in years to come.

Town Attorney Tim Shaffery called for a point of order when discussion continued between the public and EDAC members.

For the benefit of the public, Mayor Dyson explained how the regional approach to economic development program was started. She asked Ms. Overson if they would get some type of management contract stating what Springerville would receive for the funding they give. For the \$25,000 contribution what would Springerville be getting and would it be in writing.

Ms. Overson responded that she intended to work with the chambers to develop marketing tools for each community. She explained that they do not want to be in competition with the Chambers of Commerce and small businesses, so they have avoided funding outreach to the smaller businesses. However, both power plants, White Mountain Regional Medical Center, and Blue Hills. There are other entities they are going to approach.

Mr. Garms advised the council that they do not need to make a decision tonight. This is part of the budget process.

9. Adjournment:

Mary Nedrow/Kay Dyson motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Kay Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST

Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday May 3, 2006. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 5th day of May 2006

Town Clerk